



Board of Mineral County Commissioners

Hawthorne, Nevada

July 18, 2018

The Honorable Board of Mineral County Commissioners met this day in a regular session with the following people present:

Honorable Jerrie Tipton	Chairman
Honorable Chris Hegg	Vice-Chairman
Honorable Christopher Nepper	Clerk-Treasurer
Honorable Sean Rowe	District Attorney

Absent: Honorable Garth Price Member

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Safety Message

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hegg

Safety Message was provided by Fire Chief Chris Lawrence relative to preventing dehydration in the workplace.

2. Public Comment

Sheri Samson stated the nuisance ordinance that was in effect was not the ordinance she was given and Sterling Codifiers was still showing Ordinance 246A.

Craig Nixon asked why you work on an ordinance that the voters did not want.

3. Approval of Agenda/Necessary Changes

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the agenda as presented. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes:	Commissioner Hegg Commissioner Tipton
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

4. Accounts Payable Vouchers, Credit Card Approval Form Requests, Capital Outlay Purchase Orders and Auditor's Cash Report by Fund – presented for review, discussion and possible action.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the Capital Outlay from the Utilities Department to Dell Marketing for \$2081.57. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes:	Commissioner Hegg Commissioner Tipton
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the Capital Outlay from the Utilities Department to Western Nevada Supply for Mina/Luning Tank Lever Control Valve in the amount of \$13,748.48. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes:	Commissioner Hegg Commissioner Tipton
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the Capital Outlay from the Utilities Department to Western Nevada Supply for the Hawthorne Reservoir Flow Control Valve in the amount of \$18,884.20. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Hegg
Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

Mineral County Recorder Auditor Christine Hoferer advised that Park and Recreation cash was low.

5. Treasurer's Accounting Fund Summary Balance Report and Financial Horizon Credit Union Accounts Report – presented for review, discussion and possible action.

No Action

6. Reports and Correspondence

Letter from Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles relative to Off-Highway Vehicle Survey.

Schedule of Proposed Action from the Inyo National Forest

7. Minutes of – July 11, 2018 for review and possible action.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the minutes of July 11, 2018 as presented . A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Hegg
Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

8. Kenneth Collum – For consideration and possible action relative to the BLM program updates.

Mr. Collum was present and provided the Board with an update on grazing, renewable energy, mining and recreation in the area; he also provided a map of the route for the Vegas to Reno event and stated the boat ramp was still on the table.

Mike McNeill asked if he could get a copy of the Tourism Map to review.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to suspend the Board of County Commissioners and to convene the Liquor Board:

Ayes: Commissioner Hegg
Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

9. Liquor License Applications – The following applications will be presented for discussion and possible action.

A. **John Stroud**; VFW Post 2313; PO Box 2313, Hawthorne, NV 89415; Special Liquor License

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Sheriff Randy Adams and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the Liquor License application for VFW Post 2313. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Hegg
 Commissioner Tipton
 Sheriff Randy Adams
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to recess the Liquor Board and to reconvene the Board of County Commissioners.

Ayes: Commissioner Hegg
 Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

- 10. **Larry Grant, Hawthorne Utilities Director** – For consideration and possible action relative to Hawthorne Utilities purchasing storage unit for permanent records for the 6 departments within Hawthorne Utilities, Cost will be disbursed within the 6 Departments.

Hawthorne Utilities Director Larry Grant advised they have one storage container that was packed full of records and it was becoming a safety issue.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the purchase of a storage unit for \$6,000 to be paid out of the Hawthorne Utilities budget. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Hegg
 Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

- 11. **Mark Nixon, Regional Planning Commission Chairman** – For consideration and possible action relative to the Mineral County Regional Planning Commission (MCRPC) renewal of secretarial contract of Joyce Brown and \$250 extra on Chapter 17 and Natural Resources and Land Use Plan.

Commissioner Tipton advised that Mark Nixon had contacted her and he would not be able to attend.

Commissioner Hegg requested this item be continued until August 1, 2018 and to inform Mr. Nixon it was going to be continued.

- 12. **Kirk Bausman, Chairman HIA/MCALUAC** – For consideration and possible action relative to the approval of Joyce Brown, Secretary Hawthorne Industrial Airport/Mineral County Airport Land Use Advisory Committee.

Mr. Bausman was not present; Public Works Director Eric Hamrey asked to have the item continued.

- 13. For consideration and possible action relative to approval of a one (1) year renewal of lease for lot 18, by Desert Ready Mix.

Eric Hamrey advised the Airport Board approved a one (1) year lease for Desert Ready Mix; it was the same lease as before.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the one year renewal of lease for lot 18, by Desert Ready Mix as presented and to have the Chairman sign. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Hegg
 Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

- 14. For consideration and possible action relative to the Hawthorne Industrial Airport/Mineral County Airport Land Use Advisory Committee seeks to have the Mineral County owned hanger and lot, Parcel APN# 006-630-03 put out to bid at public auction.

Eric Hamrey, Public Works Director advised he was speaking for Kirk Bausman he found a resolution from 2010; they would like to follow this resolution but to change the dates and amount; Mr. Hamrey thinks he has several people interested in bidding for the lease.

Sean Rowe, District Attorney advised a resolution had to be adopted.

Commissioner Tipton advised placing this item on the August 1st agenda, the Board will have a resolution with draft language.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to enter into closed session pursuant to NRS 228.220. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Hegg
 Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

- 15. **Closed Session** – Pursuant to NRS 288.220 to discuss/review all labor/bargaining unit contracts, grievances and negotiations.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to return to open session pursuant to NRS 288.220. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Hegg
 Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Price

Motion carried and so ordered

- 16. **Open Session** – Discussion and possible action relative to all labor/bargaining unit contracts, grievances and negotiations. No action

TIME SPECIFIC ITEMS:

- 10:00 AM Nevada Department Of Transportation (NDOT)** – For consideration, discussion and possible acceptance of NDOT’s upcoming Fiscal Year Work Program.

Rudy Malfabon, Director of NDOT, along with other representatives from NDOT was present to provide information on the upcoming Fiscal Year Work Program.

Discussion ensued on Big Horn Sheep on Highway 95 at Walker Lake; Interstate 11; a Pedestrian crossing by McDonald, Goldengate and the Senior Center; speed detection signs in Mina; other concerns were high wind warning for Truck Drivers, a yellow flashing turn arrow on US 395 at SR 359 and a left turn lane at Walker Lake.

Public Works Director Eric Hamrey advised the speed limit was 40 mph on the bypass and does not

lower at K Street.

Public Comment: Commissioner Price brought up the overwhelming traffic on Highway on 95 between Fallon and Hawthorne and asked them to look into putting in passing lanes.

Mr. Malfabon advised they were looking at passing lanes on Hwy 95 and Hwy 93.

Mr. Bonner advised they would look into raising the level of priority on the Highway between Fallon and Hawthorne and they would look at the traffic counts and do a comparison over a ten year period.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to accept the Nevada Department of Transportation Fiscal Year Work Program. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

- Ayes:** Commissioner Hegg
Commissioner Tipton
- Nays:** None
- Abstain:** None
- Absent:** Commissioner Price - Attended by Phone

Motion carried and so ordered

Board of Highway Commissioners - None

Public Comment - None

Commissioner Recognition - None

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting of the Board adjourned until Wednesday, August 1, 2018 at 9:00 AM.

A verbatim recording of this meeting has been prepared and by reference becomes a part thereof.

Approved: Board of County Commissioners

By: 
Jerrie Tipton, Chairman

Date: 8 / 1 / 18

Attest: 

Christopher Nepper, Clerk of the Board

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